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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1891.

THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

One of the greatest boons this generally washed-out community has enjoyed during the long and trying summer which is now on the wane, has been a temporary residence at the Mount Austin Hotel. Whatever this institution may eventually turn out to its owners as a financial investment, it has certainly proved a most valuable haven of rest to the hard-worked and weary, and an admirable and convenient sanitarium to the sick and afflicted. Without question or doubt, the Mount Austin Hotel is by far the finest structure of the kind in the Far East; in fact, it has no rival. Picturesquely situated directly under Victoria Peak, and commanding an unequalled view of the magnificent scenery for which Hongkong and its surroundings are so justly celebrated, the Hotel has been built on the latest and most approved plans, with every possible modern improvement for the comfort of visitors. The splendid dining room has no equal in this part of the world; the billiard-room, reading and sitting rooms are models of comfort and convenience, and the spacious and tastefully furnished bed-rooms, each one with its separate bath room attached, are a revelation to those who have been accustomed to make their lives miserable in the class of hotel so common throughout Asia. The Mount Austin is cool both by day and night, and as the ubiquitous mosquito is a very rare bird indeed, the objectionable mosquito net is by no means a necessity.

The management of the Hotel is almost in every respect satisfactory. Mr. Isherwood, the manager, is most obliging and most attentive to visitors, while the matron, Mrs. Isherwood, and Miss Bally, a trained nurse from a leading London Hospital, have simply proved themselves invaluable. The Chinese servants are perhaps a trifle slow in their movements, but that is a defect which time will quickly remedy—and they are at all events civil, which is by no means an unimportant item. As usual with a new hotel, there have been occasional murmurings as to a defective cuisine; but speaking from personal experience, we must say that we never could discover any just grounds for such complaints. The table has been a most liberal one, the viands judiciously selected, well cooked, and served in good style. There are some people who would grumble if they were entertained at a banquet by the gods of ancient mythological tradition, and treated to the divine nectar of which we have all heard so much and seen so little; and that is the class who find fault with the menus at Mount Austin.

It must have been gratifying to Mr. Jno. D. Humphreys and his brother promoters of this most useful public enterprise to find the Hotel so extensively patronised throughout the summer; we believe that there has not been a vacant room, and the number of casual visitors from the city has been far larger than was anticipated. The tennis-courts and splendid promenade have no doubt proved special attractions, and it may with safety be predicted, that if public support is continued on the same scale during the winter months, and no good reasons are apparent why such should not be the case, the shareholders of the Mount Austin Hotel, Ltd. will yet reap a rich harvest. The tramway service places the Hotel within about fifteen minutes of Queen's Road, and both residents and travellers should be only too glad, after the day's toil, to find peace and comfort away from the incessant din and turmoil of the city.

TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH REVENUE RETURNS.

LONDON, October 1st.

The net increase in the British revenue for the past six months amounts to half a million sterling.

GENERAL BOULANGER.

General Boulanger committed suicide yesterday at the tomb of Madame Bonnemaison at Brussels.

THE RIOTS AT WUHU.

In obedience to the demands of the great Powers, the Governor of Wuhu has been dismissed.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Bombay* left London on the 4th inst. for this port.

TEACHER—Johnny, give the name of the largest known diamond?—Johnny—The ace.

HARMONIX'S Circus, which has been doing good business at Dell and Tsing, was expected to return to Singapore this week.

Fred—Yes, I like him well enough, Minnie, but how did you ever happen to marry a man a head shorter than you are?

Minnie—I had to choose, Fred, between a little man with a big salary, and a big man with a little salary.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ancona* left Nagasaki for this port yesterday at 5 p.m.

ADELINA PATIL was born at 4 o'clock in the afternoon of February 19, 1843, in Puencarral street, Madrid, Spain.

Tommie—Pat! what does Q.C. mean? A "queer customer?"

Thomas, Sr.—It does too often, my son!

LADY Macdonald, relict of Canada's famous Prime Minister, has taken to literature as a solace to her woe.

In Chile, says the *Baltimore American*, men buy their wives, and in this country the wife often discovers that she has been sold.

At the Central Station, and apparently without assigning any reason, a coolie shuffled off this mortal coil this morning. An inquest will be held.

Rev. Bibbles—Which of the many causes produces the chief increase of the population of Hongkong?

Old Bibbles—The English mail, of course!

Browlie—(Sarcastically) Your honour has the sparkle of wit, dear boy!

Old Sport—Your "Browlie" is like very old wine; your hearers feel the cobwebs.

THE *Penang Gazette* of the 1st instant says:—The steamer *Nam Klong*, the second of the three vessels belonging to the late Mr. Chuah Eu Peng, was yesterday seized by the mortgagees to whom she is under mortgage for the sum of \$25,000.

In Brittany, the farmers have discovered that cows which drink hot water give a third more milk than those who drink cold. They are now using hot water, possibly reserving the cold to temper the strength of the milk when it is obtained.

We observe that Daniel Bandmann's leading lady and dear friend, when in Hongkong, Louise Beudet, is supporting L'Allemant as *Taffan* in "Indigo" at Aronson's Casino, New York. Ye "little donkey" doesn't seem to have become a distinguished tragedienne after all!

We would remind our readers that Willard's Opera Company will appear at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, tomorrow night in Tabor's popular comic opera "Ermeline." A plan of the Theatre is now open at Kelly and Walsh, Ltd., where seats may be booked.

Walk—Bates is an ass. He doesn't know anything.
Talk—Oh, yes, he does. In one field he is quite accomplished.
W—What's that?
T—He knows enough to say yes, whenever he is asked to take a drink!

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the Cricket match, to-morrow, commencing at 4 p.m.:—
March "H.M.S. Camperdown".....Clode.
"Special Reports".....Chibba.
"The Mistletoe".....Bullman.
"Hungarian Dance".....Braham.
Gallo "Vivacity".....Cargill.

We are informed that Colonel A. T. Storer, commanding the Royal Engineers in this colony, has taken upon himself to issue an order that the *Hongkong Telegraph* be stopped in the messes of that Corps. We are further informed that at a meeting held last night, a resolution was passed by 35 votes to 3 that a petition be presented to the gallant Colonel asking him to rescind his arbitrary order. Is Colonel Storer, R.E., a German—or what?

ADMITTED.

As Peter sat at heaven's gate,
A maiden sought permission,
And begged of him, if not too late,
To give her free admission.
"What claims have you to enter here?"
He cried with earnest mien;
"Please, sir," said she, "twist hope and fear,
I'm only just sixteen."
"Enough," the hoary guardian said,
And the gate wide open threw;
"That is the age when every maid
Is girl and angel, too."

SAYS the *Penang Gazette* of October 1st:—"The steamer *Nam Chow* arrived from China on Tuesday afternoon bringing the passengers of the same Company's steamer *Nam Yong*, who were placed in quarantine at Singapore. Immediately on her arrival, a death occurred on board of cholera, and she was at once ordered to proceed to the quarantine station at Pulau Jerak. The vessel came in without flying the quarantine flag, and it is stated that there will be an enquiry into the matter."

THE NEW GIRL.

To lighten the loads of the weary—
To gladden the hearts of the weary—
There has come a new girl to town.
Her smile is pretty and bland,
Her general style is greatly grand,
A creation of Worth's is her gown.
Her gaze is that of the gentle gazelle,
Her eyes float in seas of sparkling merriment,
Her lips for Cupid, a feast.
In short she's the loveliest belle
That ever had Occident wares to sell
In this god-forgotten East!

LITTLE Lena Salinger, who will be remembered as a precocious if not talented member of the Salinger Opera Company that paid Hongkong a visit a few years since, is now playing in "Coquelicot" at the Tivoli in San Francisco, and is doing a most successful business on the boards since her early childhood. In fact we remember her many years ago singing her lines in the one time famous Pollard Lilliputian Troupe. With this company the fair young songstress toured to India in '93 and ever since those days has played with moderate success throughout the Australasian theatres. Careful training, however, has corrected the very apparent vocal defects which jarred on the Hongkong audiences, and now Lena is in a fair way to climb the ladder which reaches to unlimited fame. Her sister Tillie, who has taken the place of Miss Gracie Plaisant and is *prima donna* of the Tivoli, is said to be a prime favorite in Frisco. Blood will tell.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on Monday next, at 3 p.m., the business will be:—

Financial Minutes.

Report of Law Committee on the Bill entitled "The Bankruptcy Ordinance, 1891."

Questions.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Sanitary Board By-Laws for regulating Cemeteries.

First reading of a Bill entitled "The Prepared Optum Ordinance, 1891."

First reading of a Bill entitled "The Raw Optum Amendment Ordinance, 1891."

First reading of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the Incorporation of the Senior Missionary in Hongkong of the London Missionary Society."

Committee on the Bill entitled "The Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance, 1891."

THROATY tenor—I ah-cannot-ah-sing the old songs—"Loud whisper from the back of the theatre—"You never could!"

We have to thank the Imperial Maritime Customs for a copy of their Medical Reports for the half-year ended 31st March, 1889.

Jockey Club Steward—I can't abide that creature, Mr. Raynes.

Mrs. Peake—I suppose he knows something about horses!

OUT of 1,145 strikes in England last year, in which 344,840 people took part, 476 were successful, 207 were failures, and 94 were undecided. The average duration of strikes was 18 days.

Maudie—Why couldn't Cho'llie come to the theatre with us to-night?

Victoria—You see, dear, he's dramatic editor of the *Snail* and he has to write his criticism and have it in before nine o'clock!

THOSE members of the Victoria Recreation Club who belong to the gymnastic class, which is under the able instruction of Staff Sgt. Tennant, will commence their winter training on the 15th inst. An assault-at-arms will be arranged later on in the season, which it is to be hoped will be as successful as the last.

SENIOR partner—Look here, Mr. Sheepley—on the first of January you came to me and said you were thinking seriously of getting married; and on the strength of that I gave you a rise in your salary. What's the matter? Aren't you going to get married? Sheepley—"No, sir; I thought so seriously of it that I concluded I wouldn't."

TWO Sikh constables had a squabble over some trifling matter this morning which led to rather serious results. One man is alleged to have struck the other with a currie-powder and to have knocked him insensible. The injured man was conveyed to the Hospital, where he is now undergoing medical treatment. The other is under arrest.

Miss Swatow (first visit to Hongkong)—Mr. Clerk, isn't my room too far off to hear the dinner-bell ring?

Clerk—It makes no difference, Madam. We have breakfast from 7 to 11, dinner from 12 to 4 and dinner from 5 to 10.

Miss Swatow—Dear me! how can I find time to do my shopping?

WHEN Irving studied Shylock, he had recourse to a Jewish friend, who told him that the Kears, Phelps, Brooke, and all the other actors, did the curse wrongly, because a Jew will never kneel to a curse, but always stand, with his hand on his brow. At night, a Hebrew attorney, in the stalls, after being struck dumb, gasped out—"Well, I didn't know Irving was one of us!"

THE salary of the President of the United States is paid to him in monthly instalments of \$4,666.67. The warrant is brought to the White House by a special messenger of the Treasury Department, and after the President has indorsed it as he would an ordinary draft, his private secretary deposits it at the Columbia Bank. When the President is out of town the draft is mailed to him. The same method is pursued in paying the Justices of the Supreme Court.

The other night I met in the street,
A smart little lad in livery;
He told me his uniform, spruce and neat,
Was the badge of the *Telegraph* delivery.

I asked if they'd put him on H. J. Scott's track,
Or to "boycock" the London O.C.
But he said "I'm just out on the regular tack,
Delivering the pappers, dye sea!"

SAYS the *Strait Times* of the 2nd inst.—"News has been received from Zanibar announcing the death, on the 17th September, from fever, of Mr. McKie, the manager of the New Oriental Bank branch there. Mr. McKie was formerly acting-manager of that bank's branch in Singapore, and he only left a few months ago to take up the management of Zanibar. It may be noted that the New Oriental Banking Corporation has lost no less than four Europeans at Zanibar within the space of a few months."

IN London Law Courts, recently, certain directors declared certain signatures to be forgeries, while an expert asserted their genuineness. "But," suggested Lord Coleridge, "suppose the directors swear more solemnly, would that alter your opinion?" "Not the slightest," was the reply. The Lord Chief next tried, "Suppose they were men of high character?" "Then I am sorry for them," was the unabashed rejoinder. "I suppose," suggested the Judge, "the decision of a judge and jury would not alter your opinion?" "Not in the slightest," replied out of the witness.

BESIDES its Pecksniffian ploy and spurious respectability, our morning contemporary is also distinguished for other and various qualities, chief amongst which is journalistic energy and an enterprise that sometimes borders on the daring. But some "wag" has got at *Granny* badly this morning, and it is only our respect for that old lady that prompts us to point the fact out, lest she be "gotten" at again. It was only on the 29th July last, that we published a three verse "fact" about her, and she has been the thing itself then being as old as the Psalms of David, and now under the appropriate heading of "Deceived" some impious youth has signed himself "D—n" (ominous symbol) palms it off on the poor unsuspecting old lady as an original "pome!" Too bad.

POPE Leo is now in his eight-first year. His eyes are still remarkably black and brilliant, but aside from this he has every appearance of an infirm old man. His features are thin and sharp, his complexion very pale, and his hand trembles to such an extent that he is no longer able to write unaided. In signing documents he is obliged to hold the right wrist with his left hand, and even then the result is not satisfactory. This convulsive trembling is attributed to a fever from which he suffered several years ago, and from which he has never fully recovered. The Pope has seldom been seen to laugh during all of his long life. He lives plainly, eats alone, according to the established custom of Popes, while he is in Rome, and is troubled with excessive nervousness, which often prevents sleep.

The Ocean Company's *Billardphon*, from all accounts must be a tough nut. Small-spox aboard, so runs the history of this very latest "Quarantine mystery."

It seems that Mac of B. and Swire's Of the Colonial Secretary mildly inquired—
"What can we do, dear boy, just now?"
To run out "freight" to Amoy and Swatow?"

The oracle worked, as was plainly seen. When the Douglas Co's steamer *Fokien*, with the "yellow jack" flying at the fore, took the motley crowd from our tainted shore.

How the oracle was worked our Office Gao doesn't know, and before dealing further with what looks on the face of it one of the biggest shipping "jobs" ever carried out in this colony, we prefer waiting for reliable information as to what took place in landing these infected pilgrims at Swatow and Amoy.

Masher—I thought you said that all you wanted was £3 per week?

Ballet danseuse—Yes, dear, for my darning only!

THE Bishop of Pesh predicts that there will be a general European war within three years, and that before fifty years are over not a single crowned head will remain in Europe. The *San Francisco Chronicle* says the Bishop is perfectly safe in the first prophecy, but events will have to move faster than they have done in the last half century to dethrone the Czar and make Russia a republic.

Little Johnny—Father sent me round to pay your bill, Doctor.

Dr. Paine—"All right, Johnny, tell your father he's a trump."

(At Home, an hour later.) Father—"Well, Johnny! did you pay the doctor?"

Johnny—"Yes."

Father—"Well, what did he say?"

Johnny—"Said you was a clump!"

TWENTY-FIVE boarding-house runners were drawn up in line before Mr. A. G. Wise at the Magistracy this morning charged with having boarded the steamer *Somdech Phra Nang* on her arrival in harbour last evening, and with having created a disturbance amongst themselves, which resulted in rather serious consequences. Two of the injured men were sent to the Hospital for medical treatment. Those to the Hospital were fined \$10 each, or six weeks imprisonment. Eleven of the number paid the penalty while the balance went to "take it out."

THE Editor of the *Strait Times* has turned cheap philanthropist, by opening a subscription through the columns of his paper to collect \$25 for a man named Sahat, whose dog was destroyed by the Municipal dog killer. As the dog had been trained to perform various tricks, its untimely death may have been a loss to the Singapore community, and our editorial friends estimate of its value, which includes collar, muzzle, etc., is probably within the mark. At what does Mr. Arnot Reid estimate the value of a certain long-eared, superficial, two-legged jackass who poses as an intelligent journalist in Singapore?

AN item for the "Chosen," which we with characteristic chafy publish F. O. C. But nevertheless, we live in the hope of being able to take it out in "cake."

SERVICES FOR THE DAY OF ATONEMENT.

On the 11th instant, at 4.30 a.m. *Schulch*.

" 11th " 5.30 a.m. *Elchmoo*.

" 11th " 6.15 a.m. *Haltara*.

" 11th " 1.00 p.m. *Arthik*.

" 12th " 2.30 p.m. *Arthik*.

" 12th " 6.00 a.m. *Elchmoo*.

" 12th " 3.30 p.m. *Arthik*.

Calls on the Bible for the Feast of Tabernacles, will be disposed of on the morning of the 12th instant.

S. O. COHEN, *Hagan*.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1891.

THE smoking concert which is to be held in the City Club to-morrow evening promises to be a very entertaining one, than those given on previous occasions. The "talks" to be produced turn out anywhere in the latitude that is claimed for them. We, however, strongly deprecate the custom, recognised in no other one-horred town (such as Hongkong undoubtedly is) on the face of this planet of a few self-seeking amateurs picking a performance in rivalry against that advertised to be given by a professional company. It is not only unfair but it is manifestly unjust. We maintain that every manager who runs the risk of an Eastern tour with professional artists dependent upon him for their living while they are in a foreign and friendless country is not only worthy, but really deserving of all the support that can be tendered him. And to-morrow night we hope to see these sentiments emphasised to the extent of a crowded house at the Theatre Royal.

BETTER than a man loose when he gets too big for his party.

Newspapers is the maligned brakin' of the average statesman.

That wouldn't be no politeness if that wasn't no gait respect.

A Congressman that makes money when his job needs watchin'!

A man ain't good for much else after bein' President of the United States.

